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## AMENDMENT & RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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## Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action dated December 23, 2010, setting a three (3) month shortened statutory period for response, Applicant submits the present amendment and response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111.

Claims 1-8 and 11-22 remain pending in the application. Claims 1 and 11 have been amended. No claims have been added or canceled. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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